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SUBJECT: CIVAIR - US-SINGAPORE NEGOTIATIONS

FOR MEADOWS, CIVAIR DEL

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF LETTER OF INSTRUCTIONS FOR NEGOTIATIONS
WITH SINGAPORE DATED JUNE 27, SIGNED BY ACTING ASSISTANT
SECRETARY WEINTRAUB:

QUOTE. YOU ARE DESIGNATED CHAIRMAN OF THE US DELEGATION FOR
AIR TRANSPORT NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF SINGAPORE
BEGINNING IN SINGAPORE ON OR ABOUT JULY 1, 1974. YOU WILL
BE ASSISTED BY MR. EDWIN RECTOR, DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF INTER-
NATIONAL AFFAIRS, CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD; MR. JAMES
HORNEMAN, BUREAU OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, CIVIL AERONAUTICS
BOARD; AN OFFICER FROM THE EMBASSY TO BE DESIGNATED BY THE
AMERICAN AMBASSADOR TO SINGAPORE; AND BY MISS LISA RAY,
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS, AIR TRANSPORT
ASSOCIATION, WHO WILL SERVE AS INDUSTRY OBSERVER.

IN CONSULTATIONS HELD IN 1970 WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF SINGA-
PORE, AGREEMENT WAS REACHED TO RECESS THE TALKS UNTIL A
MUTUALLY AGREEABLE FUTURE DATE. SINCE WITH THE PASSAGE OF
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TIME THERE HAS BEEN SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT OF THE SINGAPORE

MARKET IT NOW APPEARS APPROPRIATE TO RENEW FORMAL CONTACTS.

YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO EXPLORE WITH THE SINGAPORE DELEGATION

THE POSSIBILITY OF REACHING AGREEMENT ON AN AIR TRANSPORT AGREEMENT CONSISTENT WITH US INTERNATIONAL AVIATION POLICY AS DESCRIBED IN THE PRESIDENT'S POLICY STATEMENT OF 1970. YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO DELIVER TO THE SINGAPORE DELEGATION COPIES OF THE CURRENT DRAFT OF THE MODEL BILATERAL AGREEMENT WHICH MAY SERVE AS THE BASIS FOR ANY AGREEMENT. YOU SHOULD RESIST, AS APPROPRIATE, MODIFICATIONS WHICH THE SINGAPORE DELEGATION MAY PROPOSE WHICH WOULD SUBSTANTIALLY RESTRICT THE OPERATION OF US DESIGNATED CARRIERS FROM SINGAPORE TO POINTS IN THIRD COUNTRIES.

IF IT APPEARS THAT SUBSTANTIALLY ALL MAJOR ISSUES WITH RESPECT TO THE TEXT OF AN AIR TRANSPORT AGREEMENT CAN BE RESOLVED SATISFACTORILY YOU MAY EXPLORE ROUTE RIGHTS WHICH MIGHT BE EXCHANGED IN AN ANNEX TO AN AGREEMENT. IN THIS CONNECTION YOU SHOULD BE GUIDED BY THE VIEWS OF THE CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD WITH RESPECT TO THE ECONOMIC VALUE OF THE ROUTES BEING DISCUSSED. SHOULD IT NOT BE POSSIBLE IN THE TIME AVAILABLE TO REACH ANY CONCLUSIONS OR AGREEMENT WITH RESPECT TO ROUTES FOR EACH SIDE YOU MAY AGREE TO A RECESS IN THE TALKS AND SUGGEST THAT THEY BE RESUMED AT A DATE AND PLACE SUITABLE TO BOTH GOVERNMENTS.

ANY MAJOR DEPARTURES FROM THE CAB RECOMMENDATIONS AS CONTAINED IN THE CHAIRMAN'S LETTER OF JUNE 25, 1974, SHOULD BE REFERRED TO THE DEPARTMENT WITH YOUR VIEWS AND THOSE OF THE CAB MEMBERS OF THE DELEGATION. IF SIGNIFICANT NEW PROBLEMS OR ISSUES ARISE YOU SHOULD SEEK FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENT.

ANY AGREEMENT OR UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN DELEGATIONS IS TO BE ON AN AD REFERENDUM BASIS. UNQUOTE. SISCO

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